

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

**OFFICIAL WARNING**  
**VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS**



CASE NUMBER:  
UT150001

VIOLATOR:  
Russell Otten  
License # 87-C-0055  
Customer # 34047

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, ZIP Code):  
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The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about **August 12, 2014**, you or your organization committed violations of the following sections of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 9:

**2.40(b)(2) Attending Veterinarian and Adequate Veterinary Care....establish and maintain programs of veterinary care that use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries. (DIRECT)**

You failed to provide adequate veterinary care to a female reindeer named "Striker". This animal was extremely lame on the left front leg and had not been evaluated by a veterinarian.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

**APHIS OFFICIAL (Name and Title):**

Chester A. Gipson  
Deputy Administrator  
Animal Care

**OFFICE ADDRESS:**

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**SIGNATURE**

**DATE ISSUED:**  
Feb 5, 2015

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